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- 1. U.S.G. gratified that free world gaverness governments and ship owners have been increasingly cooperative in restricting use of ships in trade with Cuba, particularly in last weeks. EXXIDENCE
 - 2. U.S. Four-Point Program
- (a) Orders embodying four points on shipping to Cuba discussed in Ref (a) were ready to be promulgated when missile build oup in Cuba was discovered. While he broader action was being considered and taken, it was thought inappropriate to issue the orders.
- (b) Rumber one priority now is to work out implementation of Kirushchev promise to dismantie and remove offensive missile sites in Cuta. It does not seem desirable just now to inject a new element into that situation such as would be represented by the shipping orders.

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- (c) However, all acceptary procedures under the four-point program have been worked out so that the orders could be put into effect rapidly at any time.
- (d) We are Aceping piose watch on diversionents. A final decision can be expected within the next few weeks.

3. CLEURCIRT

It should be noted that only quote advicement unquote/quarantine has been suspended and only for period of U To 100 is visit. Excitence Future status of quarantine uncertain. Therefore for present CLEARCERT passe procedures outlined Ref. (b) will be continued. Specific quaries re CLEARCERT procedures will be answered on individual basis.

4. Poreignaid appropriations Act

Section 101/xx Foreign id Appropriations act signed October 23 imposes certain restrictions on U.S. assistance to countries with vessels carrying arms and strategic items, and items of aconomic assistance to Cuba. Details regarding interpretation and imprehentation of Act will follow in separate circular message. Enveyor, sanctions under this Act will not be applied with respect to called at Cuban ports ships which examples assistance or were on high seas bound for Cuba prior to October 23.

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